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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated August 15, 2007, the Applicants amend the Application as follows: